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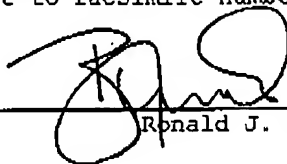
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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated
January 25, 2006.

In the Action, restriction is required between:

(I) Claims 1 and 3, identified in the Action as being drawn
to a first alkaline storage battery, classified in class
429, subclass 218.2; and

(II) Claims 2 and 4, identified in the Action as being drawn

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to a second alkaline storage battery, classified in class
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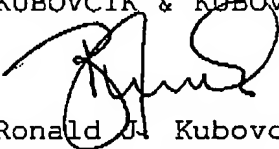
Applicants elect the subject matter of group (I), claims 1 and
3, for prosecution in this application. This election is made
without traverse with the understanding that the applicants' rights
under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and 121 to the filing of a divisional
application directed to the non-elected subject matter are
retained.

The foregoing is believed to be a complete and proper response
to the Office Action dated January 25, 2006. A favorable action on
the merits of the elected subject matter is believed to be in order
and is respectfully solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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